

WHAT CONSCIOUS, PRAYERFUL COMMITMENT WILL YOU MAKE?

STEP 1.

Thank God and grow in gratitude for all of your blessings. Ask the Holy Spirit to inspire and strengthen you in your commitment to grow as a good steward in the coming year.

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STEP 2.

Your life, resources, talents and gifts, everything you are, have, and will be are gifts from God. Make a list of specific things you will give as a steward in the coming year. How much time will you share? How will you nurture and offer your talents, gifts, and strengths? How will you share your financial gifts?

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STEP 3.

Make a firm, prayerful commitment to grow as a disciple and to give as a good steward, in all of the aspects of your life, and particularly within your parish. What will you do? How will you follow through on this commitment?

STEWARDSHIP PRAYER

Gracious and loving God,
you are the giver of all good gifts.

We recognize that all that
we are and have comes from you,
and we make a renewed commitment to be
good stewards of these many blessings.

Lord Jesus, you show us God's way
of love and mercy. Nourished by your
Body and Blood in the Eucharist,
we dedicate ourselves anew to live as
members of your Body in the world.

Holy Spirit, you guide and inspire us in
our daily living. Fill our hearts and minds
with your wisdom. Strengthen our resolve to
live as people who are sharing in Christ's
mission as good and faithful stewards.

May all we say and do give glory to you,
God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Amen.



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DISCIPLESHIP, WITH THE POWER
TO CHANGE HOW WE UNDERSTAND
AND LIVE OUT OUR LIVES. (SDR, 1, 3)**

Stewardship
AWARENESS WEEKEND
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"FOR IF WE HAVE RECEIVED THE LOVE WHICH RESTORES MEANING TO OUR LIVES, HOW CAN WE FAIL TO SHARE THAT LOVE WITH OTHERS?"
(THE JOY OF THE GOSPEL, 8)
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THIS IS THE MEANING OF STEWARDSHIP. TO BE A GOOD STEWARD IS TO CARE FOR, NURTURE, AND BRING TO FRUITFULNESS THE GOODNESS OF GOD. IT IS A POWERFUL WAY TO BRING FAITH TO LIFE. AS DISCIPLES, WE ARE CALLED TO MAKE A CONSCIOUS, FIRM DECISION, CARRIED OUT IN ACTION, TO BE FOLLOWERS OF JESUS CHRIST NO MATTER THE COST TO OURSELVES. (SDR, 1)
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SDR: Stewardship: A Disciple's Response

MAKE A DIFFERENCE

There is a profound impact when we live as disciples in mission by sharing our lives and resources as good stewards. Every moment of every day becomes an opportunity to make a difference for the good of others and to give glory to God. What impact will your life of stewardship make in the life of another? How will you make a difference as you share in Christ's mission to bring life, light, mercy, and peace through your words, actions, service, and ministry?

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WHEN JESUS HEARD THIS HE SAID TO HIM, "THERE IS STILL ONE THING LEFT FOR YOU: SELL ALL THAT YOU HAVE AND DISTRIBUTE IT TO THE POOR, AND YOU WILL HAVE A TREASURE IN HEAVEN. THEN COME, FOLLOW ME." LUKE 18:22
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